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PROCEEDINGS 1 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd like to call 3 the meeting back to order. Would the Secretary please 4 call the roll. 5 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton? BOARD MEMBER EATON: Still present. 6 7 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones? 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Here. SECRETARY VILLA: Medina? 9 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Present. 10 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian? BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Here. 12 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti? 14 Moulton-Patterson? CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Here. 15 16 And maybe we didn't need to do that again. Oh, 17 well. Mr. Eaton ex partes? 18 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I have two, Jim Hemminger 19 last evening, general waste issues and Jim Greco, general 20 waste issues as well. CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. 21 22 Mr. Jones. BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. Skinner from CUP's for 23 24 use in compost and I think that's it.

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CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina?

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- 1 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: None to report.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: None, although I think we
- 4 all got a letter. Do you want to ex parte it for all of
- 5 us?
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: You can go ahead
- 7 and ex parte it from Robert Nelson is that the one you're
- 8 talking about?
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Right. Riverside County
- 10 Waste Management Department, Robert Nelson, regarding
- 11 Agenda Item 26.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: For all board
- 13 members.
- 14 Thank you, Mr. Paparian, and I have none. I
- 15 spoke with a lot of people last night at the lovely
- 16 reception Mariposa County had for us, but it was all
- 17 social no issues.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER EATON: How did you luck out?
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I don't know.
- 20 (Laughter.)
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We're all back in
- 22 place and, Ms. Nauman, were we on --
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Item 17.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Seventeen, thank
- 25 you very much.

- 1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Board Members, Julie
- 2 Nauman Permitting and Enforcement Division.
- 3 Item 17 is a Discussion of and Request for
- 4 Direction on Bureau of State Audits Report Recommendation
- 5 Regarding Legislation to Streamline the Current Process
- 6 for Imposing Civil Penalties. This is the first time that
- 7 you'll be discussing these particular recommendations, an
- 8 then we'll be looking to bring that item back to you next
- 9 month or the following month for consideration.
- 10 Given the hour an the day and the number of items
- 11 we still have, we're going to do our best to keep our
- 12 presentation on these items very brief and allow you to
- 13 direct your questions to us to those areas you are most
- 14 concerned about.
- 15 So with that, I'll turn it over to Scott Walker.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 17 MR. WALKER: Good morning, Madam Chair, members
- 18 of the Board. Recommendation ten of the audit report
- 19 states that the Board should seek legislation to
- 20 streamline the current process for imposing civil
- 21 penalties. And, again, the purpose of this item is to
- 22 provide an opportunity for discussion and also for the
- 23 Board to direct staff regarding the response to the audit
- 24 reports recommendations. And then based on the direction,
- 25 staff would bring forth an item for consideration and

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- 1 that's currently schedule for June.
- 2 The current process for imposing civil penalties.
- 3 The overall process we provided as an attachment to this
- 4 agenda item, and this was presented to the Board, the
- 5 overall enforcement process, including the civil penalties
- 6 in April of 2000, and that was included as an attachment.
- 7 Basically, in summary administrative civil
- 8 penalties are imposed after all feasible efforts to bring
- 9 facilities into compliance have been exhausted.
- 10 Enforcement orders provide for civil penalty to
- 11 be imposed administratively by the LEA if the time
- 12 schedules in those orders have been violated.
- 13 Essentially, this has been -- we've done some view in the
- 14 administrative civil penalties and this has been done in
- 15 two occasions. One being the Western Regional Landfill in
- 16 Placer County and the other being central landfill in
- 17 Sonoma County.
- 18 As an alternative or an addition to the
- 19 administrative imposition of civil penalties, the LEA or
- 20 board may initiate a much more complex process to petition
- 21 the superior court to recover civil penalties. This
- 22 approach was taken by the Attorney General's office on
- 23 behalf of the Board in 1991 with regard to the McCorkey
- 24 Rhode landfill case.
- 25 Staff Analysis. The audit report identified a

- 1 significant backlog of enforcement orders where the
- 2 compliance schedules lapsed, yet no further action had
- 3 been taken, such as the imposition of the administrative
- 4 penalties. This problem ties not only with civil
- 5 penalties but also other audit recommendations concerning
- 6 problems with regard to notice and orders, enforcement,
- 7 the need to have the enforcement regulations in place, and
- 8 also some of the closures issues that we had.
- 9 Because the civil penalties are the last resort
- 10 in a progression of enforcement actions to bring a
- 11 facility into compliance, it's dependent on the
- 12 enforcement, the initial administrative enforcement
- 13 action. In other words, the enforcement orders, the
- 14 process.
- The Board's enforcement regulations, which are
- 16 approved by LEA and they're actually effective now, we
- 17 anticipate this will be very beneficial to correct a lot
- 18 of problems that we've had with the actual orders, so that
- 19 should help with streamlining the civil penalties process.
- In addition, there are also compliance issues. A
- 21 lot of these compliance issues of violations have been
- 22 solely permit terms and conditions, such as tonnage and
- 23 hours of operation. And this area will also be held in
- 24 the civil penalties process streamlined with the
- 25 completion of the revised Permit Enforcement Policy, or

- 1 the PEP policy, which the Board is working now.
- 2 It's also important to point out that although
- 3 there has been few administrative civil penalties issued,
- 4 that the Board has quite a good success in terms of
- 5 facility compliance with State minimum standards, as
- 6 evident by the inventory of solid waste facilities not in
- 7 compliance with the statement minimum standards.
- 8 And this list of the chronic violators, we've
- 9 gone from 47 in 1997 to 14, which was just presented last
- 10 month. And so in that area we've, you know, in facilities
- 11 we've achieved substantial positive impact.
- 12 Notwithstanding the anticipated improvements as a
- 13 result of the Board's enforcement regulations, an also
- 14 improvements with the, as noted, with the inventory, staff
- 15 have identified in consultation with LEAs some significant
- 16 statutory barriers to an effective civil penalties. And
- 17 this is primarily in the area of closed, illegal and
- 18 abandoned sites. And Senator Roberti mentioned the Cajon
- 19 Pass, which was a really good example that illustrates a
- 20 number of these barriers.
- 21 And with that, I just want to briefly summarize
- 22 the concept of what the barrier means. And then if the
- 23 Board desires, we can discuss that in more detail. The
- 24 first is that the civil penalties may be too low to act as
- 25 a credible deterrent to facility and site noncompliance

- 1 and illegal disposal and dumping.
- 2 And our fines are administrative fines are \$5,000
- 3 per violation and up to \$15,000 per year. And this is
- 4 significantly less than other CalEPA agencies.
- 5 Two, criminal penalties are needed to strengthen
- 6 enforcement for illegal and abandoned disposal sites.
- 7 Three, clarification is needed that enforcement
- 8 authority and civil penalties apply to closed illegal and
- 9 abandoned sites not just facilities. The statute refers
- 10 to facilities, but there's a question as to whether or not
- 11 that applies to illegal disposal sites and closed sites,
- 12 which are technically locked within the definition of the
- 13 facility.
- 14 The fourth barrier concept is that enforcement
- 15 authority is needed against prior owners or operators of
- 16 the disposal site who are responsible for the
- 17 noncompliance or illegal disposal.
- The authority centers around the current property
- 19 owner in these cases. An whereas we have situations where
- 20 it's pretty clear that a hauler or another party is
- 21 responsible for the problem.
- 22 Five is to respond to the LEA's concerns that
- 23 they have limited authority with respect to closed,
- 24 illegal and abandoned sites. And staff have believed that
- 25 there is significant authority in this area, but we still

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- 1 get questions from some LEAs and responsible parties and a
- 2 change in statute would resolve this difference in
- 3 opinion.
- 4 The sixth is need for enhanced site access
- 5 authority for inspection, investigation and removal action
- 6 of post-closure maintenance. And this is another area
- 7 that basically is a problem, because it requires, in most
- 8 cases, an inspection warrant, which takes a court action,
- 9 and can be very complex and time consuming.
- 10 I'd like to point out that there was a change
- 11 with regard to tire, the waste tire site access, there's
- 12 some legislation in 1999. Something similar would help
- 13 with compliance with disposal sites an facilities.
- 14 The seventh is that the law should clearly
- 15 prohibit disposal to other than a permitted or exempt
- 16 facility. And this would allow authority to go after the
- 17 actual party that did the dumping, rather than the
- 18 property owner.
- 19 And then eight is a combination of some issues
- 20 with time limits. The first being that there needs to be
- 21 a time limit for some appeals to the local hearing panel.
- 22 And then also there's a timeframe needed for petition --
- 23 underwhich a petition for written mandate may be filed
- 24 challenging the decision of the Board.
- 25 Key issues and findings. Should the Board concur

- 1 with the above mentioned statutory barriers, a statement
- 2 of findings could be developed of the statutory barriers
- 3 essentially concepts of what the statutory barriers are to
- 4 an effective civil penalties process. And this statement
- 5 would be the basis for legislation to make the specific
- 6 changes in the law, either proposed by the Board, through
- 7 a legislative concept, or by another party or sponsor on
- 8 this own initiative.
- 9 Alternatively, the Board may determine that the
- 10 current law adequately addresses the process and the
- 11 forward actions is required.
- 12 Again, the specific cases examples, we could go
- 13 into if the Board desires that, one of those being Cajon
- 14 Pass, which illustrates some of these situations, but
- 15 we'll leave that up to the Board if they'd like to discuss
- 16 that further.
- 17 A final aspect is an analysis of the potential
- 18 drawbacks through the Board pursued in statutory barriers.
- 19 And, basically, I think, you know, obviously the potential
- 20 responsible parties are not going to want, you know,
- 21 additional enforcement authority on them, but clearly, you
- 22 know, there may be some legitimate facility operators that
- 23 might be concerned that they may be subject to
- 24 unreasonable burdensome enforcement action, and so the
- 25 statement of findings, you know, could be drafted to

- 1 acknowledge the need to address these concerns and
- 2 differentiate the severity of the penalties based on the
- 3 nature of the violation and the type of site, whether it's
- 4 a permitted facility versus an illegal disposal site
- 5 situation.
- 6 In conclusion, staff is recommending that the
- 7 Board direct staff to prepare a statement of findings and
- 8 statutory barriers to an effective civil penalties
- 9 process. And the statement of the findings would be
- 10 developed based on the Board's direction and brought forth
- 11 for consideration at the June board meeting. Staff is
- 12 available to answer any questions.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 14 Walker.
- 15 Questions?
- Mr. Paparian.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you. As you bring
- 18 the item forward, I wonder if you could bring back some
- 19 information on several items that I'm interested in.
- 20 We have existing authority that doesn't seem to
- 21 be used very often. And I know we heard from some of the
- 22 LEAs that they don't use the existing authority, because
- 23 it doesn't provide enough penalties. They can't really
- 24 pursue it with some of their -- the local LEA or whatever.
- 25 Anyway, what I'd like to see is a discussion of

- 1 where we've used the penalties and where we might have
- 2 used penalties had them been on a higher level, if that's
- 3 possible.
- 4 The second thing somewhat related would be a
- 5 discussion that reflects the feedback we've been getting
- 6 from the LEA's regarding this issue. I know we heard some
- 7 of it down in Glendale and maybe if there's a way to
- 8 summarize that, that would be useful.
- 9 The third thing is perhaps some clarification
- 10 about how we might utilize or enhance our existing
- 11 authority without going to legislation. I think there are
- 12 things we can do through a regulation or through better
- 13 and more creative use of our existing authority in this
- 14 area.
- 15 And then, finally, if there -- you know, what I'd
- 16 like to see is a comparison of our ability to use civil
- 17 penalties in comparison to other agencies, probably just
- 18 the other BDOs of CalEPA, you know, how does the Water
- 19 Board handle this, how does the Air Board handle this and
- 20 so forth.
- 21 So those four items if we can get more
- 22 information that would be helpful to me in moving that
- 23 forward. Other than that I'm supportive of coming back in
- 24 June as you suggested.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I would just like

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- 1 to add, when you're looking if you could include the
- 2 Coastal Commission.
- 3 Mr. Jones.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair, I think there
- 5 is a need to increase the civil penalties in some areas,
- 6 mostly closed and abandoned. And I think we really need
- 7 to look at that, because if, in fact, the staff is having
- 8 a hard time getting anybody's attention on a closed and
- 9 abandoned site that's creating the problem, then they need
- 10 to have the weight of a civil penalty.
- 11 One of the problems that comes along with these
- 12 civil penalties that I think can be rectified pretty
- 13 easily, is the legislation that was brought forward by
- 14 CCDEH to give LEAs the ability to fine at \$5,000. Gave
- 15 LEAs the ability to fine for anything, litter on a fence,
- 16 Any of the standards at any of the facilities if an LEA so
- 17 desires, could impose a \$5,000 fine.
- 18 So there is no gradation to -- nobody is looking
- 19 at the severity of the infraction. They're just looking
- 20 at this dollar amount. And the dollar amount -- I'm going
- 21 to always oppose increasing it when it can be so liberally
- 22 used that if somebody finds litter on a fence, they can
- 23 impose a \$5,000 fine.
- 24 I don't agree that litter on a fence is a good
- 25 management practice, but it happens. So what we may want

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- 1 to think about is categorizing the violations and putting
- 2 them into some kind of a tier that says if you're doing
- 3 these things, then here's the number for civil penalties.
- 4 If it's these things, there's the number for civil
- 5 penalties.
- 6 So that we somehow attach a dollar value to the
- 7 severity of the issue. But right now that doesn't exist.
- 8 Right now, it's anything and anybody. So I think that
- 9 would be a step in the right direction. And I think that
- 10 the abandoned site issues that are creating so much
- 11 problems for you guys needs to really be looked at to see
- 12 what's the most effective way to do that and include that
- 13 in it with a higher civil penalty.
- 14 As well as the legal -- I think it was your 7,
- 15 that you can only dispose of the material in a legal or an
- 16 exempt site. That makes sense to me. But you've got to
- 17 be prepared to issue an exemption to the facilities that
- 18 are, in fact, exempt. You can't just leave it silent,
- 19 because there are certain facilities that are left silent
- 20 because they don't meet a threshold to be permanent.
- 21 So if you do that, then I think it helps with the
- 22 Cajon. Cajon when we, Mr. Walker and Mr. Eaton and I will
- 23 attest when we tried the -- when we started in the Cajon
- 24 issue, we had to include other agencies, because we didn't
- 25 have any statutory authority that had a hammer big enough

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- 1 to bring this three and a half million dollar cleanup
- 2 cause. So we did it mostly with -- well we did it a whole
- 3 lot of different ways, but we got it done.
- 4 And so I think that that needs to be addressed,
- 5 so that we do have more authority to those kinds of
- 6 issues, where we can work with local government to get
- 7 those cleaned up.
- 8 But that would be my suggestion was to -- that we
- 9 really need to look at this in a teired method, so that we
- 10 have fines for appropriate violations.
- 11 You know, everybody loves to hear a couple
- 12 hundred thousand dollar fine to somebody, but if it's
- 13 because somebody has got litter on a fence, you ain't
- 14 going to get my vote, you know.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Other comments?
- 16 Any other comments?
- 17 DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL WALZ: I wonder if I
- 18 might make a comment. One way that other statutes do this
- 19 is not have a set amount for a set infraction, but they
- 20 say it's up to this amount and then there are number of
- 21 considerations that you look at. You look at, for
- 22 example, how much they avoided -- how much cost they
- 23 avoided by doing it the wrong way as opposed to the right
- 24 way. You look at the severity of the infraction. You
- 25 look at whether the person is a repeat offender, and you

- 1 look at a number of things.
- 2 So instead of having just a set amount, you say
- 3 up to so much per day and then each side puts in their
- 4 considerations that they think should go into determining
- 5 what the appropriate penalty is.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: We could do that with our
- 7 existing authority. We could move to say with in our
- 8 existing authority, these are the parameters; is that
- 9 right?
- 10 DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL WALZ: Yeah, except that
- 11 I understand that you have a \$15,000 per year limit.
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: I think there's a
- 13 question whether we can do that under our current
- 14 structure. I think what Edna suggesting is that it's
- 15 another model to look at. That's slightly different than
- 16 Mr. Jones' suggested model, but we'll look at all of them
- 17 and bring you some ideas.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Ms.
- 19 Walz.
- 20 Any other comments?
- 21 So you need the direction from us. I would
- 22 certainly support your recommendation Option 1.
- 23 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Fine. We'll work on
- 24 that and bring that back to you.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I don't hear any

- 1 disagreement.
- 2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Okay.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 4 Item 18.
- 5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: It 18 is Consideration
- 6 of Bureau of State Audits Report Recommendation Regarding
- 7 Closure Plan Deadline Extension, Coordination of Closure
- 8 Plan Review, and Loans or Grants for Landfill Closure.
- 9 You'll recall at the last board meeting in April,
- 10 we brought an item forward to you that addressed these
- 11 recommendations, and it was a discussion and request for
- 12 directions. We took your direction and are now bringing
- 13 back an item for your consideration.
- 14 So what we're doing is kind of restating the
- 15 direction that you gave us, giving you a little more, kind
- 16 of, pros and cons of what's involved in those, and are
- 17 looking for you to confirm the direction that you gave us
- 18 last month, perhaps modify that or otherwise direct us to
- 19 do some additional work. So I'll ask Scott to run through
- 20 this quickly.
- 21 MR. WALKER: Thank you. Again, this combines
- 22 three recommendations of the audit report.
- 23 And recommendation 11 reminds the Board and
- 24 summarizes the Board to modify its regulations to prevent
- 25 LEAs from indefinitely extending deadlines for submitting

- 1 closure plans.
- 2 Recommendation 12 is that the Board should modify
- 3 its regulations to reestablish its role as a coordinating
- 4 agencies for the review and approval of closure plans.
- 5 And the Recommendation 13 is to seek legislation
- 6 that will allow the Board to offer loans or grants to
- 7 landfill owner/operators in need of final assistance to
- 8 close landfills.
- 9 These are all interrelated. And the board's
- 10 direction was to combine these for this consideration
- 11 item.
- 12 To summarize the actual specific direction, there
- 13 are four points where the Board specified the direction.
- 14 And one is to pursue a regulation to control trickling of
- 15 waste, while taking into account the special needs of
- 16 rural jurisdictions.
- 17 The second is to amend regulations to require
- 18 approved closure plans for permit concurrence.
- 19 The third being for the Board to amend
- 20 regulations to reestablish the Board as a coordinating
- 21 agency for the closure plan approval process.
- 22 And the fourth is to amend regulations to require
- 23 permits for closed landfills.
- In addition, the Board directed that any
- 25 regulation change needs to take into account the economic

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- 1 or other underlying reasons for delaying landfill
- 2 closures, especially for rural landfills. The Board also
- 3 directed staff to pursue establishment of a program to
- 4 offer loans and assistance for landfill closures.
- 5 The key issues and we've looked and reviewed
- 6 where we would go from here, and should the Board adopt
- 7 this recommend then development of the above-discussed
- 8 regulations would proceed. And we'd start with the
- 9 initiation of the informal rule-making process and then
- 10 followed by the formal process.
- 11 The informal process, which basically allows --
- 12 the Board currently uses to develop regulations, it
- 13 consists of circulating initial draft regulations to
- 14 representative stakeholders and hold informal workshops on
- 15 the draft regulations. And the purpose is to resolve, as
- 16 much as possible, the most significant issues prior to the
- 17 time sensitive formal rule-making process.
- We've determined there's several issues that will
- 19 come up, one being that the requiring permits for closure
- 20 may raise some concerns from a regulated community as to
- 21 the cost and time to obtain permits, and depending upon a
- 22 tier slot in that permit for closure.
- 23 Second is to require approved closure plans for
- 24 permit concurrence, it may result in some concerns about
- 25 delays in processing and approving permit revisions.

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- 1 Three being that rural jurisdictions will
- 2 continue to seek assurance that control of trickling will
- 3 not affect their special needs with regard to emergency
- 4 capacity and financial assistance amongst other reasons
- 5 that they have.
- 6 Fourth is that the coordination of the closure
- 7 plan review and approval process, we anticipate that LEAs,
- 8 some LEAs and regional boards may desire some process
- 9 under which the Board may delegate the coordination to
- 10 them under special circumstances.
- 11 And, again, I think that some of the areas that
- 12 we have thought of that may be incorporated into the draft
- 13 regulations would be to limit closure permits for disposal
- 14 sites that are required really to have a long-term post
- 15 closure maintenance or there are special circumstances
- 16 that a closure permit would be prudent and that be one
- 17 area to explore.
- 18 The second may require some -- the situation
- 19 would require closure plans to be approved. There may be
- 20 situations other than landfill expansions that we may need
- 21 some additional flexibility such that that not be subject
- 22 to the requirement.
- 23 In other words, there may be the need we've heard
- 24 from some LEAs that there's some cases where it's not an
- 25 expansion, but the LEAs want to revise the permit to

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1 upgrade the controls on it, and also might perhaps

- 2 incorporate a beneficial, you know, recycling activity or
- 3 whatever and there may be a need for some flexibility on a
- 4 case by case basis.
- 5 And the four, is that, I think, we feel pretty
- 6 confident we can develop an agency coordination process in
- 7 reviewing a closure plan such that we could, you know, may
- 8 be able to delegate the coordination to another -- to an
- 9 LEA or a regional board in specified circumstances.
- 10 And with that, we were asked another question at
- 11 the discussion board meeting about federal rule
- 12 restrictions. And we looked at this issue and basically
- 13 our standards are required to be equivalent or more
- 14 stringent to the federal subtitle D standards. And the
- 15 proposed rule making would be more stringent. And so we
- 16 don't anticipate a conflict with our subtitle D approval
- 17 status.
- 18 The closure loan program, and essentially board
- 19 staff analysis determined that approximately a \$4.5
- 20 million self-sustaining loan program would provide
- 21 sufficient assistance to meet the demand of closure for
- 22 the unlined rural landfills that need assistance. And the
- 23 implementation of this proposal would require development
- 24 of a budget change proposal, which is currently being
- 25 drafted and/or enabling legislation.

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- In addition, clearly that the criteria would have
- 2 to have be established by the Board if this program was to
- 3 be established, and most likely implementing the
- 4 regulations be adopted.
- 5 The Board also directed us to pursue other areas
- 6 for financial assistance for landfill closure. And I'd
- 7 just like to acknowledge Kit Cole for bringing our
- 8 attention. The Trade and Commerce agency's infrastructure
- 9 bank, which there may be some options there to facilitate
- 10 funding which staff will be pursuing.
- 11 And in conclusion, staff recommends that the
- 12 Board adopt Resolution number 2001-135 to pursue
- 13 regulatory changes and a closure loan program as
- 14 recommended to address audit report recommendations 11, 12
- 15 and 13.
- Staff are available to answer questions.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 18 Any questions?
- 19 Mr. Medina.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Yeah, Madam Chair, if there
- 21 are no changes to the proposed resolution, I would like to
- 22 move that resolution.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I appreciate that
- 24 and we'll come right back. We do have -- I just got
- 25 handed a speaker's slip, so we'll hold off.

- 1 Jim Hemminger.
- 2 MR. HEMMINGER: Thank you. Jim Hemminger, with
- 3 ESJPA. I just briefly did want to go on the record
- 4 acknowledging and supporting staff's recommendation for
- 5 creation of the landfill closure trust account. I think
- 6 it will be extremely helpful to many of the rural
- 7 counties. And that we look forward to working with Scott
- 8 and other staff in development of regulations to help deal
- 9 with trickle landfill issues, as well as criteria for
- 10 distribution of the funds if the resolution is adopted by
- 11 the Board. And also to work with Board to see if we can
- 12 help identify potential funding sources.
- Thank you.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Mr. Paparian.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I just wan to ask one
- 17 thing for clarification. There is a landfill closure
- 18 trust fund that's discussed in here at four and a half
- 19 million dollars, but it's not part of the resolution.
- 20 Will you be coming back at a future time to give us more
- 21 detail In seeking approval for that?
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: We're looking just for
- 23 your general direction or whether or not you want to
- 24 pursue some type of a loan program, recognizing that we
- 25 don't have that fund. We don't have any account. What we

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- 1 have in the item is just staff's best work at trying to
- 2 figure out how much might be available. So the resolution
- 3 just indicates that the Board is directing staff to pursue
- 4 funding, whether it be through the infrastructure bank, be
- 5 it through some new program development. We're just
- 6 looking for your interest in a program many of that type.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. As long as we're
- 8 not locking ourselves to that four and a half million
- 9 dollars.
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: No.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thanks.
- 12 Mr. Jones.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I don't really have too much
- 14 problem about this, but I have two questions. What's the
- 15 thinking behind having a permit for closure, because I'm
- 16 having a hard time understanding it.
- We have to have closure plans submitted before we
- 18 issue a permit. So are you lacking something in
- 19 regulatory authority to enforce that?
- 20 MR. WALKER: I think we're talking about sites
- 21 that have actually gone final closure.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: But those were approved.
- 23 Those sites that go to final closure are doing it based on
- 24 a closure plan that's already been approved by this Board
- 25 and the Water Board.

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1 MR. WALKER: Correct. What we've --
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- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And they only get paid --
- 3 excuse me, they only get paid -- you know, anybody that's
- 4 putting money into the closure fund, just so the members
- 5 understand, they only get paid as they do the work, so
- 6 they don't get that money back unless they've done the
- 7 work, so that's one of the reasons that was there was to
- 8 make sure that people were doing the work.
- 9 So what I'm having a little bit of a problem with
- 10 is you've got an approved plan. You have to go by the
- 11 plan. It gets updated as conditions change. You only get
- 12 your money back if you're doing the work, so what's the
- 13 purpose of the permit?
- 14 MR. WALKER: I think that there's two areas. One
- 15 is technically it's really a post closure permit, that is
- 16 to say, you know, once the landfill is completed with the
- 17 closure activities, how do you hold them to the
- 18 post-closure maintenance.
- 19 And what we've heard from LEAs and staff is that
- 20 by having some type of a permit where they're tied to the
- 21 maintenance, that will increase or enhance the ability to
- 22 maintain compliance with the post-closure maintenance
- 23 plan.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay. Maybe that's the way
- 25 the LEAs see it, but I'm having a hard time understanding,

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- 1 you have a closure post-closure plan. The post-closure
- 2 plan says we're going to monitoring these things every
- 3 quarter. We're gong to monitor this every six months.
- 4 We're going to do these things. Who enforces the
- 5 post-closure plan?
- 6 MR. WALKER: It's the responsibility of the local
- 7 enforcement agency to enforce the post-closure maintenance
- 8 plan.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Exactly. And that
- 10 post-closure plan lays out what they're supposed to do.
- MR. WALKER: Correct.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So what's the permit going
- 13 to do that existing documents don't already do?
- 14 MR. WALKER: I think that the issue there is
- 15 apparently, what I'm hearing from LEAs, is that it's
- 16 having -- and like the regional board issues WDRs for
- 17 closure. That it's much more difficult to enforce a plan
- 18 on its own than it is with a permit, what's called, a
- 19 permit that may just incorporate the plan by reference.
- 20 In other words, having that permit rather than just having
- 21 the plan an attempting to enforce the plan.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Right. Then is it your view
- 23 that the permit would mirror the already approved closure
- 24 post-closure plan?
- MR. WALKER: Correct.

1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Then we're not going to add

- 2 76 more conditions?
- 3 MR. WALKER: Correct. And it clearly would be
- 4 put together in a manner in order to control and to make
- 5 it concise and not subject to additional conditions, et
- 6 cetera, that would occur.
- 7 So it probably would be something that would go
- 8 into like a tier type situation, where it's not a full
- 9 type solid waste facility permit.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And then just one other
- 11 thing. On your trust fund, I have no problem with the
- 12 loans, but I have a problem the grants, because everyone
- 13 of these rural jurisdictions that has operated a landfill,
- 14 has had a governing body that had the authority and the
- 15 duty to raise rates to make sure to take care of these
- 16 things. A lot of them including the ones that I've
- 17 operated in chose not to do that.
- To offer a grant that gets them off the hook is
- 19 not fair to all the other jurisdictions that had to fund
- 20 it. I have no problem with the loans to give them a hand,
- 21 as long as they pay it back. But I don't think it's fair,
- 22 from an equity standpoint, that all those jurisdictions
- 23 that had to raise rates to cover closure post-closure
- 24 somehow -- you know, the ones that refuse to do that are
- 25 somehow rewarded by getting free money from the State.

- 1 That doesn't make sense to me. So I would -- I
- 2 know Mr. Medina is going to make the motion, but I would
- 3 like to see what board members think about the equity
- 4 issue and maybe eliminate grants and just leave it at
- 5 loans, because the only ones that would be getting grants
- 6 are the ones who refuse to do their job along the line,
- 7 which was not what other jurisdictions did.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Before I call Mr.
- 9 Medina to make the motion, did you have anything that you
- 10 wanted to address.
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: No.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Madam Chair, I'd like to
- 14 move Resolution 2001-135 Consideration of Board Decision
- 15 on Appropriate Action Regarding Bureau of State Audits,
- 16 Report Recommendations Regarding Closure Plan Deadline
- 17 Extensions, Coordination of Closure Plan Review and Loans
- 18 or Grants for Landfill Closures, Recommendations Numbers
- 19 11, 12 and 13.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'll second that, but I
- 21 wonder if we want to address Mr. Jones' concern about
- 22 pulling out grants from the resolution and have it just be
- 23 loans.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Mr. Jones had asked for a
- 25 discussion on that. The motion has been made, we either

- 1 can a mend it or make.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Do you have a. --
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'll make the second, but
- 4 I'm fine with pulling the grants out and having it just be
- 5 loans.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Are you fine with
- 7 that?
- 8 I'm fine with that.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I just think it's tough for
- 10 counties to have to pay for these closures, but the
- 11 majority of them have put them in their rate. It would
- 12 only be the ones that refuse to that would be getting the
- 13 grants. And that just doesn't seem to make sense from a
- 14 policy stand point. So I'd urge that the members would
- 15 remove the term grants.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina, would
- 17 you like to a amend your motion or do you just want to
- 18 keep grants in?
- 19 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Truthfully, not having
- 20 anyone here from counties to touch on this, and I don't
- 21 know -- I'm probably not one way or the other.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: If I could interject my
- 23 two cents here also. I sort of would like to keep the
- 24 grants in until we get some response from the local
- 25 governments as to what the impact would be on them. It

- 1 appears to be somewhat of a strong change from the way
- 2 we've proceeded in the past. I mean, it's important to
- 3 keep the program going.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. So the
- 5 motion is we'll stay with grants in, is that okay with
- 6 seconder?
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Please call the
- 9 roll.
- 10 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 12 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: No.
- 14 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 16 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 17 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 18 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 19 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 20 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- Okay, thank you.
- 23 Number 19.
- 24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Item 19 is Consideration
- 25 of the Draft Six Month Report to the State Auditor.

- 1 You have in your packet staff's effort to capture
- 2 the work that the Board has done with respect to the
- 3 recommendations in the audit over the course of six months
- 4 since the -- well they sent the report in December of last
- 5 year. So this really is an update to the 30-day work that
- 6 we submitted, I believe, in early March.
- 7 So we're just looking for your concurrence with
- 8 the content of the draft. We've done our best to reflect
- 9 date changes, because a couple of items have slipped from
- 10 the original schedule that we submitted.
- In any event if you're comfortable with the
- 12 general approach and content we will go through it and
- 13 make sure that we've got all the dates correct based on
- 14 your actions today and previously. But we need your
- 15 direction today on this, so that we can meet the deadline
- 16 for submittal in early June.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Any objections
- 18 from board members?
- 19 Hearing none, I --
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I may have a question.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Go ahead.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: First of all, the
- 23 suggestion that in the cover letter on this that we
- 24 summarize what we're doing differently as a result of the
- 25 audit having taken place, in addition to going into the

- 1 detail you have in here.
- 2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: I'm looking for some --
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: What have we actually
- 4 done as a result of there being an audit, other than
- 5 having a lot of meetings and a lot of discussions.
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Well, we can work on
- 7 that. I don't know that it -- you know, what we're trying
- 8 to do is respond --
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: And have we done anything
- 10 other than meetings and discussions? I think the answer
- 11 is, yes.
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: How has our work changed
- 13 is that what you're looking for on a day to day basis,
- 14 what are we doing differently?
- 15 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Right.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Okay. We can work on
- 17 that. I'm looking for suggestions from the Board of
- 18 things that you'd like to highlight so this isn't just a
- 19 staff driven summary of our work. But if you don't, we'll
- 20 go ahead and try and draft something up and --
- 21 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I mean, I thing it's
- 22 important in the response to be clear -- in the cover
- 23 letter especially, to clearly highlight that, you know,
- 24 we've taken it seriously, and we've made some changes as a
- 25 result. And here are some examples of those changes.

- 1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: We'll do our best. This
- 2 will, actually, the transmittal letter as long as it's
- 3 signed by the Agency Secretary, and so we'll work through
- 4 the executive office and the Chair's office to confirm
- 5 that we've captured what you have in mind.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: So will I see it
- 7 before it goes out?
- 8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Definitely.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: And then the
- 10 environmental justice item, I think we also had -- we're
- 11 going to have some stakeholder meetings put together.
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: I think Ms. Bruce
- 13 addressed the EJ issue yesterday in her report to you that
- 14 will be -- the staff is working diligently in trying to
- 15 come up with the plan that addresses the seven or eight
- 16 steps that the Board looked at a couple of months ago.
- 17 And we plan to bring that plan to you in June.
- 18 So it's in the context of that plan that we would
- 19 be laying out the nature of the when, the how big, the who
- 20 gets to be invited type thing to the stakeholder
- 21 conference or forum that the Board had discussed. So
- 22 you'll see that in June when we bring the plan forward on
- 23 environmental justice.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: But we are planning to
- 25 pull in some stakeholders interested in the issue?

- 1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Yes. That would be one
- 2 of the steps in the plan that we'll be laying out.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: But that's not going to
- 4 happen -- I'm suggesting that you mention that in here the
- 5 environmental justice item, I don't see anything about
- 6 bringing in some of the interested parties.
- 7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: What we can capture in
- 8 this item is the direction that the Board gave us last
- 9 month to begin developing a specific plan that addresses
- 10 those seven or eight steps and in that we can include the
- 11 specific reference you're talking about to the Board's
- 12 direction to bring stakeholders in and to hold stakeholder
- 13 forums?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Right.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: So I agree we can do
- 16 that.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd like to see
- 18 that in also.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: And then sort of
- 20 parenthetically on that we've been working to come up with
- 21 some suggested stakeholders and getting that to the staff
- 22 shortly.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Sure.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Then one thing that --
- 25 when I had discussion with staff in regards to the

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- 1 strategic plan, the question of environmental justice came
- 2 up, and it seemed that staff wasn't clear that the Board
- 3 felt that we should be pursuing environmental justice as
- 4 one of our major priorities in the context of the
- 5 strategic plan.
- 6 Somehow I had thought we had addressed that in
- 7 the context of the auditor's response that we didn't need
- 8 environmental justice to be highlighted. So I'm wondering
- 9 if there's anything we need to do additionally if we want
- 10 environmental justice to be highlighted enough so that it
- 11 becomes something that's mentioned and pursued in our
- 12 strategic plan.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Ms. Bruce.
- 14 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BRUCE: The plan to do
- 15 that is to bring for discussion to next month's meeting
- 16 the various strategies, but the mission statement as well
- 17 as the values and part of that is to incorporate the
- 18 environmental justice piece that you're talking about.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: My understanding was that
- 20 there's a discussion of diversity and related issues in
- 21 the strategic plan, but that environmental justice wasn't
- 22 really singled out. And the reason was that staff didn't
- 23 feel that there was a direction from a majority of the
- 24 Board on that issue.
- 25 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BRUCE: I've heard

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- 1 what you're saying also. I'm going to ask Rubia Packard
- 2 to address that. Because we do want that to come forward
- 3 as per your direction in June when you have that
- 4 discussion.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: The reason I'm bringing
- 6 it up here is so that we're clearly enough so that we can
- 7 highlight enough in the six months report.
- 8 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BRUCE: I understand
- 9 that.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Ms. Packard,
- 11 before you begin, though, I just want to say, I think this
- 12 Board has been very clear that this is very important, and
- 13 we'd like to see it included in the strategic plan.
- MS. PACKARD: Rubia Packard with the policy
- 15 office. We certainly did hear that direction. I think
- 16 what we're talking about is a difference perhaps in where
- 17 exactly it will be and how it will be addressed. The
- 18 direction that we heard that was that environmental
- 19 justice and what we're going to do about is very
- 20 important.
- 21 When we looked at developing the goals that we
- 22 were going to present this month and we'll be presenting
- 23 next month to you for consideration and direction, we felt
- 24 that environmental justice is the foundation or should be
- 25 part of the foundation for everything that we do here at

- 1 the Board. All of our work should be done within that
- 2 context.
- 3 And so our proposal was to build in all of our
- 4 action steps to address environmental justice issues and
- 5 concerns into each of the goal areas that we had
- 6 developed. So we developed strategic goals in program
- 7 areas and we will address environmental justice and some
- 8 of the other things that we've heard, like enforcement et
- 9 cetera, as part of each of those goals. So where you will
- 10 see that in addition to the statement about diversity and
- 11 working with diverse communities and information sharing
- 12 and participation on the part of those communities, that
- 13 is part of the value statement.
- But where you will actually see the action steps
- 15 that we take will be as part of the objectives, strategies
- 16 and performance measures under each of the program goal
- 17 areas. If that is not where the Board wants to see that,
- 18 we can certainly make those changes, but that is where we
- 19 intended to address those actions steps that we will be
- 20 taking.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 22 Senator Roberti.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: In my speaking with Ms.
- 24 Packard and other staff, I personally was satisfied that
- 25 their objective is to incorporate environmental justice.

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- 1 The only concern that I had and I'll articulate this as
- 2 articulated to Ms. Packard when she was speaking in my
- 3 office, was that we use the words environmental justice in
- 4 our statements.
- 5 They have a ora of meaning themselves. And I
- 6 think that's probably a way that the general concern that
- 7 may be the issue is not being touched on can be addressed
- 8 so that is just to use the words themselves environmental
- 9 justice. But environmental justice is -- and I agree with
- 10 Ms. Packard's logic in this, that environmental justice is
- 11 the methodology whereby we reach our goals. And
- 12 therefore, it is part of everything that we do. It's not
- 13 just one separate goal aside all by itself, but we should
- 14 use the words.
- MS. PACKARD: We are proposing --
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: So nobody's mistaken as to
- 17 what our processes are going to be.
- MS. PACKARD: Definitely. And we will do that as
- 19 we make revisions in preparation for bringing the revised
- 20 item back to the Board in June. We were proposing to do
- 21 that to include environmental justice as a category of
- 22 values and then use those words as we develop the
- 23 objective strategies and performance measures, so it would
- 24 be very clear to you where that is. But, again, if
- 25 there's different direction, then we'd be happy to hear

- 1 that and revise invoices our plan for bringing the rest of
- 2 it to you.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you Ms.
- 4 Packard and Mr. Paparian. So your point was that you --
- 5 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: To know --
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: So for purposes of the
- 7 six-month report and this specific recommendation on
- 8 environmental justice, we can redraft this section to
- 9 reflect the Board's strong direction that the strategic
- 10 plan shall have as one of it's foundational underpinnings,
- 11 environmental justice and that plan will reflect the
- 12 Board's commitment to environmental justice.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Right.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Great.
- 15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Okay. So we will
- 16 definitely bring back language to do that.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 19 Paparian.
- 20 Do we need a motion or --
- 21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Just direction. We
- 22 really don't.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm sorry, Mr.
- 24 Medina has a comment.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Yes. We were asked to

- 1 review the process used to grant permits for the recent
- 2 expansion of the Sunshine Canyon Landfill in LA County and
- 3 a sample of three landfills. Have we done that and is
- 4 that reflected in any of the reports.
- 5 PERMITTING AND INSPECTION BRANCH MANAGER de BIE:
- 6 Mr. Medina, I believe you --
- 7 BOARD mEMBER MEDINA: The reason I raise that is
- 8 I made a visit to Sunshine Canyon a week ago and that was
- 9 the very question that was raised by the North Valley
- 10 Coalition that was there.
- 11 PERMITTING AND INSPECTION BRANCH MANAGER de BIE:
- 12 My recollection is that the direction to the State auditor
- 13 was that the State Auditor was to review Sunshine and also
- 14 review and sample of landfill permit revisions and make
- 15 findings. And they included that in the report.
- But there was not a recommendation in the State
- 17 Auditor that the Board do any follow up relative to
- 18 Sunshine Canyon or other permit process.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: But in regards to the
- 20 process that we use, have reviewed that process?
- 21 PERMITTING AND INSPECTION BRANCH MANAGER de BIE:
- 22 Have we reviewed the State Auditor's process relative to
- 23 Sunshine?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: No. We were asked to
- 25 review the process used to grant the permits. Have we

- 1 reviewed that process?
- 2 PERMITTING AND INSPECTION BRANCH MANAGER de BIE:
- 3 Mr. Medina, you know, I beg to differ. I don't believe we
- 4 were directed to do that.
- 5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: I think that may be a
- 6 quote from the audit, that those I believe in that
- 7 context, it's the Auditor's saying --
- 8 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: It's right here in the
- 9 summary.
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: But I think it's the
- 11 Auditor saying. We, the Auditor, were specifically asked
- 12 by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee to look at the
- 13 permitting process of these landfills and we the auditors
- 14 did do that.
- So I don't think it was a direction to the Waste
- 16 Board to also conduct that type of review. And as you may
- 17 know, the proposed permit provision for Sunshine Canyon
- 18 has not yet been submitted to the Board. We are tracking
- 19 the progress. We are in close contact with the LEA and
- 20 the operator as they're preparing the permit, but we have
- 21 not yet received it.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- Thank you, Mr. Medina. So with that direction,
- 24 anything else, Mr. Eaton, Mr. Jones?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: No.

- 1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: With that
- 2 direction --
- 3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: We will make those
- 4 changes and move it up to the Chair's office.
- 5 That concludes our section.
- 6 Thank you very much.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Ms.
- 8 Nauman.
- 9 Special Waste, Mr. Leary.
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEARY: Number 20 was on consent.
- 11 Let's go right to 21.
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEARY: Good morning Madam Chair,
- 13 Members of the Board. Mark Leary representing the Special
- 14 Waste Division. The Special Waste portion of today's
- 15 agenda consists of two items. First item Agenda Item
- 16 number 21 will be presented by Martha Gildart.
- 17 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 18 Good morning, Item 21 is the Consideration of Approval of
- 19 Contractor for the Fourth CIWMB Tire Management and
- 20 Recycling Conference. The scope of work was approved by
- 21 the Board at yesterday's consent calendar. This would be
- 22 the fourth recycling conference we've had dealing with
- 23 waste tires.
- 24 The first three were held in '93, '95 and '98, so
- 25 we're a bit overdue. What we are hoping is to hold this

- 1 conference in January or February of 2002. We are
- 2 proposing to contract through an interagency agreement
- 3 with California State University, Sacramento campus.
- 4 They have assisted us in the last two recycling
- 5 conferences, so we feel they're knowledgeable on this
- 6 subject and the methodology and are asking for board
- 7 approval of that.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: These conferences they've
- 12 I've gone to have always been done really well. There's
- 13 always been great participation from all over the United
- 14 States. And if you can duplicate that, I think you're
- 15 going to be on the right track. I'll move adoption of
- 16 resolution 2001-147 Consideration of Approval of Contract
- 17 for the Fourth CIWMB Tire Management Recycling Conference
- 18 Contract.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. We have a
- 21 motion by Mr. Jones seconded by Mr. Medina to Approve
- 22 resolution 2001-147.
- 23 Please call the roll.
- 24 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.

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SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
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             BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
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             SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
             BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
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             SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
             BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
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             SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
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             Moulton-Patterson?
             CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
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             Thank you.
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             DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEARY: Board Members, Agenda
12 Item 22 is Consideration of the Approval of the Grant
13 Awards, our very first grant awards, for the Park
14 Playground Accessibility and Recycling Grant Program.
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             Martha too will also present the details this
16 award.
             SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
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18 This is an award for the first cycle of the Park
19 Playground Accessibility Grants. In an action just last
20 week, you approved the criteria and review process for the
21 second cycle of this same grant program.
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             The program was established by the Safe
23 Neighborhoods, Clean Water, Clean Air and Coastal
24 Protection Bond Act, which was passed by voters in March
25 of 2000. Funds have been appropriated to the Board for
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- 1 grants to park districts to upgrade playgrounds to improve
- 2 the accessibility for disabled children. \$2.5 million
- 3 were made available for this first grant cycle.
- 4 The criteria and review process were approved by
- 5 the Board last August. Notice of funds available was
- 6 issued in September to over 2200 people. And the method
- 7 was also posted on the Board's web site.
- 8 We received 84 applications, 44 from northern
- 9 California 38 from southern California. Two of those were
- 10 disqualified. We then established four scoring panels to
- 11 review the remaining 82 applications. We had a training
- 12 session in which the criteria and the review process was
- 13 adopted by the Board, were reviewed and a benchmark was
- 14 established by using a sample application going through
- 15 step by step.
- The panel members then reviewed each about 20
- 17 applications and then met and reconvened as panels to come
- 18 up with the final score. The program manager for the
- 19 administrations grants unit and our tire diversion unit
- 20 met to review those scores to ensure consistency.
- 21 What you'll see is that Attachment 1A and
- 22 Attachment 1B list the grants awarded to northern
- 23 California and Southern California.
- 24 The Board had earlier approved establishing a
- 25 60//40 split between southern California and northern

- 1 California following the county line between San Luis
- 2 Obispo, Kern County and San Bernardino with 60 percent of
- 3 applications to be awarded to southern California.
- What we have had happen is that more grant
- 5 applications were submitted by northern California and
- 6 more of them passed. So, at this point, we actually have
- 7 a reversal of that split. Of the 56 total passing grants,
- 8 59 percent are from northern California and 41 percent
- 9 from southern California.
- 10 Staff recommends funding all passing applications
- 11 as we relieve funds, about \$800,000, unexpended if we were
- 12 to stick with the original 60/40 split.
- 13 If you have any questions, I'd be happy to answer
- 14 them.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Questions?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair?
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'll move adoption of
- 19 Resolution 2001-148 Consideration of Approval the Grant
- 20 Awards For the Park Playground Accessibility and Recycling
- 21 Grant Program for fiscal year 2000 and 2001.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll second that.
- 23 So we have a motion by Mr. Jones seconded by
- 24 Moulton-Patterson to approve resolution 2001-148.
- 25 PLease call the roll?

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             BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
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             SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
             BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
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             SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
             BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
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             SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
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             BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
             SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
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             Moulton-Patterson?
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             CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
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             Thank you, Mr. Leary and Ms. Gildart.
             Waste Prevention and Market Development, number
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14 23. Ms. Wohl right on the dot.
             DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Good afternoon Board
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16 Members, Patty Wohl, Waste Prevention and Market
17 Development Division.
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             For the fiscal year 2000/2001 recycling market
19 development revolving loan program was budgeted to fund
20 $10 million in new loans. The Board has previously
21 approved ten loans this fiscal year totaling $6,368,500.
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             Today the Board will consider one loan to Barry
23 Sandler Enterprises in the amount of $500,000. If this
24 loan is approved, then there remains $3,131,500 in the
25 subaccount for new loan applications during this fiscal
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- 1 year.
- 2 Agenda Item 23 Consideration of Approval of the
- 3 Recycling Market Development Revolving Loan Program
- 4 Application For Barry Sandler Enterprises will be
- 5 presented by Barbara Van Gee.
- 6 MS. VAN GEE: Good afternoon Madam Chair and
- 7 Board members. Item number 23 is a request by Barry
- 8 Sandler Enterprises for a loan in the amount of \$500,000.
- 9 It's for the purchase of real estate. They are combining
- 10 the currently manufacture at two sites and this would be
- 11 combining the two into one location, consolidate.
- 12 As a result of this loan, diversion will increase
- 13 from 800 tons of textiles to a thousand tons annually.
- 14 The company is located in the LA County Zone and the loan
- 15 was approved by Loan Committee as presented without any
- 16 changes or conditions.
- 17 Staff recommends that the Board approve the loan
- 18 contained in resolution number 2001-130 to Barry Sandler
- 19 enterprises in the Amount of \$500,000.
- 20 Are there any questions?
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 22 Questions?
- Seeing none.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair?
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'll move adoption of
- 2 Resolution 2001-130, Consideration of Approval of the
- 3 Recycling Market Development Revolving Loan Program
- 4 Application for Barry Sandler Enterprises for \$500,000.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, we have a
- 8 motion by Mr. Jones seconded by Mr. Medina.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair, as the maker of
- 10 the motion can I ask our staff a question.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sure.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Don't we usually put the
- 13 loan amount in the resolution?
- MS. VAN GEE: Yes, we do. Is it not in the
- 15 resolution?
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I don't know. I only got
- 17 half of the way I just didn't see it.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: It's on the second page.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'm sorry. Okay, I just
- 20 wanted to make sure. I just didn't see it and I got
- 21 nervous. I don't want to give the bank away.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I appreciate it.
- 23 Okay, so we have a motion by Mr. Jones seconded by Mr.
- 24 Medina to approve Resolution 2001-130.
- 25 Please call the roll.

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             BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
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             SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
             BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
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             SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
             BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
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             SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
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             BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
             SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
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             CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
             Agenda Item 24.
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             Thank you.
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             DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Agenda Item 24,
15 Consideration of Approval of Contract for Annual Newsprint
16 Quality Standards Testing Laboratory Services Contract for
17 fiscal year 2000/2001, Contract Concept number 53.
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             The Board approved the scope of work for the
19 annual newsprint quality standards testing at its February
20 board meeting. Subsequently, an Invitation For Bid was
21 cents out to potential contractors and the successful
22 bidder is now being brought forward to the Board for award
23 of this contract.
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             The lowest bidder for the Board's newsprint
25 testing contract is Integrated Paper Services Inc. a
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- 1 Wisconsin based corporation that provides independent
- 2 testing and research laboratory services on pulp and
- 3 paper. This contract is for \$15,000 for this year. It's
- 4 actually a multi, three year contract. I think it should
- 5 be noted that this price is approximately 60 percent lower
- 6 than in past bids and that may have something to do with
- 7 the with three year multi-year contract.
- 8 Staff recommends that the Board approve Option 1
- 9 and adopt resolution 2001-129.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Ms.
- 11 Wohl.
- 12 Mr. Paparian.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Madam Chair, I'll move
- 14 Resolution 2001-129, Consideration of Approval of Contract
- 15 For Annual Newsprint Quality Standards Testing Laboratory
- 16 Services Contract.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. We have a
- 19 motion by Mr. Paparian seconded by Mr. Medina to approve
- 20 Resolution 2001-129.
- 21 Please call the roll.
- 22 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 24 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 25 Medina?

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1 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
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- 2 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 4 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 5 Moulton-Patterson?
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 7 Okay, 25 is on consent, number 26.
- 8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Agenda Item 26 is
- 9 Discussion and Consideration of Findings and
- 10 Recommendations from the 2001 Conversion Technologies for
- 11 Municipal Residuals Form.
- 12 And Judy Friedman and Howard Levenson with will
- 13 present.
- 14 ORGANICS AND RESOURCE EFFICIENCY BRANCH MANAGER
- 15 FRIEDMAN: Thank you, Ms. Wohl.
- 16 First, I would like to reiterate the thanks
- 17 expressed by Ms. Bruce in her remarks yesterday to our
- 18 Board Members, Secretary Hickox, speakers, panelists,
- 19 sponsors and, of course, all the staff who supported and
- 20 participated in the forum. Everyone worked together and
- 21 the outcome appears to have been a success.
- Before we get into the substance of the forum and
- 23 the results, I'd like to share with you that it was not
- 24 just our impression or assumption based on comments we
- 25 heard that the forum was successful, but also we have

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- 1 analyzed the survey forms that participants filled out and
- 2 our analysis confirms that the event itself was a measured
- 3 success.
- 4 Measuring results of our efforts is something
- 5 that we've been concentrating on. And it's something that
- 6 you'll be hearing more about in the future.
- 7 I'd like to point out the handout that was just
- 8 passed out which is titled Forum Evaluation Average
- 9 Ranking. There's also copies available for the audience.
- 10 As you can see, we had six questions that we
- 11 asked on the survey form that was handed out in the packet
- 12 of materials that went to the participants. And those
- 13 questions are increase knowledge of convergent
- 14 technologies, provided encouraging environment to share
- 15 ideas, working groups were an effective mechanism for our
- 16 A, identifying barriers, B, developing strategies,
- 17 effective in identifying strategies for overcoming
- 18 barriers strategies likely to result in implementation of
- 19 technologies, and participants represented all
- 20 stakeholders.
- 21 And the survey asked the participants did you
- 22 agree, strongly agree, disagree. And if you can see the
- 23 bar chart shows that they range from agree to strongly
- 24 agree in all of the cases of those questions.
- 25 So, in other words, our stakeholders left the

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- 1 forum with a better understanding of the technologies and
- 2 issues and felt it was an effective way to provide input.
- 3 They even have fairly high hopes of subsequent outcomes
- 4 and actions. On the back of this handout you'll see some
- 5 comments. These are randomly taken from the forms where
- 6 people filled out their own written comments. I invite
- 7 you to look at those at your leisure.
- 8 And with that, I thank you and everyone again who
- 9 participated in it. And I'd like to turn this over to
- 10 Howard Levenson who will take you through the results and
- 11 recommendations.
- 12 ORGANICS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT I SUPERVISOR
- 13 LEVENSON: Thank you Judy. Is this working now?
- I can't hear myself. Madam Chair, Board
- 15 Members --
- 16 GENERAL COUNSEL TOBIAS: I think it works better
- 17 if you turn one off then the other one tends to go on.
- 18 ORGANICS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT I SUPERVISOR
- 19 LEVENSON: This item concerns findings and recommendations
- 20 from the 2001 Conversion Technologies Forum and I also
- 21 want to thank everyone and board members for your support
- 22 in funding this and all of your participation. And then
- 23 the staff members who participated. It was truly a
- 24 cross-divisional cross-office effort with about 35
- 25 additional staff working on this.

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- 1 Just by way of background, quick background, as
- 2 you know organics make up 40 percent of what goes in the
- 3 landfills and paper makes up an additional 30 percent.
- 4 And while the composting and mulch industry has grown
- 5 significantly in the last decade, it's still only handling
- 6 about one-third of the organic materials that are
- 7 collected around the State.
- 8 This means that about 15 million tons or organics
- 9 plus an additional ten million tons of paper are going
- 10 into landfills as we speak. And there are millions more
- 11 tons of materials that possibly may go to landfills in the
- 12 future.
- 13 As phaseouts are implemented on the burning of
- 14 rice straw and other agricultural residues, and if we see
- 15 continued declines in the biomass energy industry and it's
- 16 use of woody feedstocks.
- 17 So given this the Board directed staff to
- 18 investigate the feasibility of noncombustion conversion
- 19 quote unquote "technologies" that use these kinds of
- 20 materials and potentially can convert them into energy
- 21 ethanol and other products. And I emphasize the
- 22 noncombustion aspect of this, because that distinction was
- 23 important in terms of getting participation from a wide
- 24 variety of stakeholders and their support for some of the
- 25 actions that we're going to discuss today.

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- 1 The noncombustion technologies, in general, that
- 2 we discussed include hydrolysis, which is basically
- 3 fermenting materials to an ethanol or alcohol kind of
- 4 product; gasification, which is a thermal treatment of
- 5 materials that results in a gas that can be used to power
- 6 Turbines and produce energy; and anaerobic digestion,
- 7 which is basically biological decomposition of materials
- 8 into a gas that also can be used for energy.
- 9 There are no hydrolysis and gasification
- 10 facilities in California that use urban residuals that are
- 11 the focus of this forum, and there are several barriers to
- 12 their commercialization.
- 13 So that formed kind of the backdrop for the
- 14 forum. And our objectives at the forum were to build a
- 15 shared understanding of all the issues and concerns, to
- 16 solicit input from a wide range of stakeholders on the
- 17 various issues related to conversion technologies and to
- 18 develop a set of recommendations for your discussion and
- 19 consideration.
- 20 Besides the facilitators and note takers we had
- 21 approximately 120 attendees which was better than we were
- 22 hoping for, so we were very pleased with the
- 23 participation. I think most of you know we used a pretty
- 24 ambitious model of multiple simultaneous working groups
- 25 and almost instantaneous feedback, summary feedback.

- 1 We had 16 working groups on day one that
- 2 discussed barriers. And our various facilitators from
- 3 around the Board summarized notes from those working
- 4 groups and then at night we summarized the barriers notes
- 5 into a list of barriers. And that is what forms the basis
- 6 for attachment 1B in your agenda item.
- 7 It's basically eight categories of barriers and
- 8 then a variety of the notes or almost all the notes from
- 9 those working group discussions and we can certainly go
- 10 through those if you have questions about any of the notes
- 11 or comments.
- 12 The basic eight barriers were lack of cohesive
- 13 political leadership and support; several statutory
- 14 constraints; regulatory constraints; lack of funding;
- 15 economics and market issues; public perception and
- 16 understanding; lack of data, and concerns about feedstock
- 17 access.
- 18 So those eight categories were then used to on
- 19 day two working groups to discuss recommendations. We
- 20 started with those eight barriers. We had ten working
- 21 groups. One devoted to each barrier and then two kind of
- 22 open groups where some were free to discuss anything they
- 23 wanted.
- 24 They worked on recommendations, and at lunch we
- 25 summarized all the major recommendations from those

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- 1 working groups, and came up with 21 major recommendations.
- 2 And that forms Attachment 1A, which lists by barrier each
- 3 of the major recommendations, our quick sense of what it
- 4 would take to implement those in terms of timeframe, and a
- 5 recommendation on each one of those.
- 6 But rather than go through those 21
- 7 recommendations one by one. Many of them are related, so
- 8 organized those into five major groups of activities that
- 9 we're recommending the Board take action on.
- 10 Those five groups are presented to you in Option
- 11 1, which is on pages one and two of your agenda item. And
- 12 then they are discussed in more detail on pages four to
- 13 five, where we give you a little bit of our sense of what
- 14 it would take to implement these five groups of
- 15 recommendations and the resource requirements required.
- 16 And I'd like to go through those five groups briefly
- 17 before I conclude the item.
- 18 The first group is to work on establishing a
- 19 formal interagency commission and the external advisory
- 20 group. To do this we basically would work with -- let me
- 21 back track for a second. As some of you know, we've
- 22 participated on an informal interagency task force for the
- 23 last year and a half or so with Resources Agency, Trade
- 24 and Commerce, Energy Commission Department of Forestry,
- 25 Air Board and others on biomass related issues.

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- 1 We would work with those members to develop an
- 2 interagency commission proposal that could be considered
- 3 either by this board or the Legislature or whoever would
- 4 be appropriate.
- 5 We also would work with external stakeholders,
- 6 those who attended the forum and others who, for whatever
- 7 reason, were unable to the attend to develop a proposal
- 8 regarding external advisory group conversion technology
- 9 issues. And we would bring that back to the Board for
- 10 consideration.
- We can implement these initial steps with
- 12 existing staff. An external advisory board or committee
- 13 might need some funding for travel and logistics, but that
- 14 would be part of any proposal that we'd bring back to you
- 15 at a subsequent date.
- The second group of recommendations is to begin
- 17 planning some follow-up workshops an symposia targeting
- 18 county officials -- county and city officials and the
- 19 general public. This was a major theme is that we needed
- 20 to have more educational efforts at the local level. And
- 21 we would initiate this by conducting a survey of local
- 22 officials to ascertain exactly where their information
- 23 needs are and then we would begin working to set up a few
- 24 of these workshops.
- 25 We've had some interest already from SWANA. I

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- 1 attended right after the May 3rd and 4th forum, I went to
- 2 SWANA the following week and we had a panel on conversion
- 3 technologies. And SWANA was interested in having
- 4 either -- we didn't talk details, but some kind of
- 5 workshop or symposium at their annual conference next year
- 6 in Long Beach on this issue, so that would be one venue
- 7 and one potential partner.
- 8 Clearly, we can conduct a survey and begin
- 9 initial discussions. We may need some follow-up funding
- 10 for workshops depending on their scope and we would have
- 11 to come back to you in the form of proposals via the
- 12 contract concepts cycle for that kind of funding.
- 13 The third group of recommendations is to develop
- 14 a budget change proposal that would seek general fund
- 15 funds for a variety of activities, one would be a grant
- 16 program for small scale demonstration projects with the
- 17 focus on rural areas and tribal areas.
- 18 The second area would be for the lifecycle
- 19 assessments that compare the environmental and economic
- 20 costs and benefits of these technologies versus other
- 21 management options including composting and landfilling,
- 22 and the money funding for assessments of funding -- or
- 23 excuse me, the policy incentives, financial incentives,
- 24 feedstock availability and product markets. So that is
- 25 something that staff has already begun work on, in terms

- 1 of a BCP for the next fiscal year cycle.
- 2 The fourth group of recommendations is to work
- 3 with State and federal agencies to identify and tap into
- 4 existing funding programs. This is fairly easy for us to
- 5 do. We can initiate discussions with Trade and Commerce,
- 6 with the Federal Biomass Research and Development Council
- 7 and try and ascertain what funds might be available for
- 8 projects in California.
- 9 As a quick step, we can certainly publicize these
- 10 on our web site, and we can also enter into discussions
- 11 with potential applicants to see if they want our help in
- 12 developing grant applications.
- 13 Speaking of the web site issue, I'll just mention
- 14 that we will have a new web site on conversion and biomass
- 15 issues up and running in about two weeks and it will
- 16 include all of the results of this forum including the
- 17 agenda.
- 18 The last group, work group five, is to work on
- 19 streamline and permitting processes and also to develop
- 20 environmental management system guidelines for companies
- 21 that are attempting to site in California. A major theme
- 22 at the conference was the lack of coordination on
- 23 regulatory aspects and the need for streamlining in
- 24 permitting.
- 25 It's no Surprise to you that this is a complex

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- 1 issue and is not one we can just tackle head on right
- 2 away, but at least as a small scale step, staff would
- 3 propose that when we have a real project applicant, one
- 4 who is working with the local jurisdiction, they've
- 5 identified a site, and they're really ready to go through
- 6 the permitting process, that we establish some kind of
- 7 interagency red team, if you will, to assist them in
- 8 getting through the regulatory process at the State level.
- 9 And this could be a model for subsequent streamlining
- 10 proposals if the Board wishes to follow that.
- 11 We'd also initiate discussions with CalEPA about
- 12 developing information and guidelines on their
- 13 environmental management systems project and how that
- 14 might apply to project applicants.
- 15 So those are the five basic areas. These are
- 16 based entirely on those form recommendations that were
- 17 consensus in nature. They represent initial steps that we
- 18 can take to promote the potential development of these
- 19 kinds of technologies in California. And existing staff
- 20 can begin working on all of them. Although, as I've
- 21 mentioned in a couple of cases, there may be need for some
- 22 follow-up funding.
- 23 We would provide the Board with periodic updates,
- 24 solicit your input on different workplans, and, of course,
- 25 come back to you with agenda an item for consideration

- 1 when that's appropriate.
- 2 I also want to point out that there are several
- 3 recommendations on Attachment 1A that are not included in
- 4 these five groups of recommendations, in particular, the
- 5 numbers four, five, ten and 13.
- 6 These all require statutory changes and there was
- 7 not a consensus of opinion on several of them or they were
- 8 outside the realm of the forum objectives on the others.
- 9 For example, Recommendation number 4 on Attachment 1A
- 10 concerns the diversion credits issue for transformation
- 11 facilities. And there really were two camps on this at
- 12 the forum, as you might expect. There was no consensus.
- 13 So, at this time, we don't have a recommendation on that
- 14 although we're certainly willing to do more work on that
- 15 at your direction.
- So in closing, I'd like to recommend that you
- 17 approve Option 1 and adopt revised resolution number
- 18 2001-134, which essentially directs us to begin working in
- 19 the five ares that I've outlined.
- I'd be happy to answer any questions.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 22 Levenson. And I think you heard from all of us what an
- 23 outstanding forum it was. And I really appreciate the
- 24 quick turn around on all the information. That was great.
- 25 We do have a speaker's slip, would you like to

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- 1 speak before, Mr. Paparian, and anyone else, before I open
- 2 it up to the speaker.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, I'll go head. And
- 4 I'll be ready to propose the resolution at the proper
- 5 moment but I wanted to suggest some changes to the
- 6 resolution. Hopefully, they'll be considered friendly
- 7 changes.
- 8 In point A on establishing a formal interagency
- 9 commission. The word commission in some cases has
- 10 connotations, that I don't think you necessarily mean. I
- 11 think usually we have interagency working groups, rather
- 12 than interagency commissions. So I would suggest changing
- 13 that to the working group.
- On Item C, I don't think we should limit
- 15 ourselves to the general fund. I think we should just
- 16 take out the term general fund and have seeking support.
- 17 For example, the Energy Commission I know has some special
- 18 funds that are not general funds. I don't know if it's
- 19 possible to tap into those, but it may be as we find out
- 20 more about what's available.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So maybe just say general
- 22 fund or other available funds.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I think just seeking
- 24 support for a grant program, just take out the word
- 25 general fund.

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- 1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Even then the budget
- 2 change proposal. You're generalizing it.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, I'm generalizing
- 4 it. I think general fund is one possibility, although
- 5 probably not this year, but there may be other funds
- 6 available.
- 7 On Item E setting up the streamline permitting
- 8 process. I have a little trouble with jumping out and
- 9 setting up that process. I think that the background that
- 10 we had was more of assisting applicants in the permitting
- 11 process rather than major changes to the permitting
- 12 process. So I would suggest working with CalEPA to assist
- 13 applicants in the permitting process.
- 14 ORGANICS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT I SUPERVISOR
- 15 LEVENSON: Those are fine.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Good suggestions.
- 18 Mr. Medina.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: No, I just wanted to
- 20 comment that staff did an excellent job of not only
- 21 capturing, but also reporting the outcome of the
- 22 conference, and that's equally important. There are a lot
- 23 of regular conferences where you never really receive the
- 24 outcome of the conference, and you've done an excellent
- 25 job here.

- 1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Certainly.
- 2 Thank you.
- 3 ORGANICS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT I SUPERVISOR
- 4 LEVENSON: I want to just also mention who's not at the
- 5 table who deserves, you know, equal credit from all of us
- 6 and a lot of the work.
- 7 Thanks, Fernando.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,
- 9 Fernando. You all did a great job.
- 10 Okay, with that, we'll call on Sean Edgar.
- MR. EDGAR: Madam Chair and Board Members, thank
- 12 you. Sean Edgar on behalf of California Refuse and
- 13 Renewables Council. Kudos to staff for putting together a
- 14 tremendous effort there, and we're please to be able to
- 15 fully participate. I myself was able to participate on
- 16 the reaction panel, which I was assured, despite my
- 17 Berkeley past was not labeled reactionary.
- 18 (Laughter.)
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm glad to hear
- 20 that.
- 21 MR. EDGAR: I was very pleased about that. Some
- 22 of our members did attend, our private independent
- 23 haulers, and they were very impressed. As you're aware,
- 24 our private independent haulers and recyclers are not
- 25 necessarily the folks in the interest who own a lot of

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- 1 landfill capacity or have a lot interest in landfill
- 2 capacity.
- 3 As a matter of fact, a lot of our focus in
- 4 developing our innovative recycling programs over the
- 5 years is precisely because they don't own the landfill.
- 6 So we were very pleased to be able to look into this new
- 7 technology. And as Mr. Jones indicated, use the word
- 8 black box. A lot of our guys are skeptical.
- 9 We've seen a lot of black boxes over the years,
- 10 as we have a lot of skeptics out there. And we realize
- 11 also that this looks toward the energy prices and as we
- 12 look toward creative solutions on the energy crisis, a lot
- 13 of our guys looked at different black boxes. And they
- 14 said well gee, you know, 12 years ago when we had a
- 15 garbage crisis we don't recall a lot of the same barriers
- 16 that were the outcome that existed at that time and have
- 17 always existed and the ability of the industry to main
- 18 resilient to go to a bank with a sound business plan, to
- 19 be table to build a facility.
- 20 All of those challenges we were pleased to see
- 21 that the workshop, and, you know, seminar was able to
- 22 flesh out a lot of the concerns. A lot of the folks who
- 23 have the block boxes aren't necessarily familiar with
- 24 doing business here in California, and so we're pleased to
- 25 see that a lot of the barriers got out there on the table.

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- 1 And there are some very legitimate barriers, and Mr. Jones
- 2 mentioned earlier about the AB 1220 process and what the
- 3 interplay Between the multiple permitting agencies in
- 4 there.
- 5 As part of our working group, at the seminar, I
- 6 did although Scott Walker wants to take credit for, we
- 7 have a new title okay, which is a Multimedia Permit Czar.
- 8 I take credit for that when we see that in regulation or
- 9 in statute that actually came from me first okay.
- 10 So part of the Multi Media Permit Czar concept
- 11 was part of the outcome, and that's something we've talked
- 12 about for a long time and hopefully this exercise may help
- 13 us get a little bit closer toward that.
- In general, we saw technologies that appeared to
- 15 be some viability in their, beyond -- you know, we have a
- 16 challenging pointing to a facility actually doing this
- 17 type of thing, but we have an indication that the
- 18 technology is viable and particularly the aspect of
- 19 co-location of MURFs. Our private independent companies
- 20 operate approximately 100 material recovery facility
- 21 transfer stations. And many of the members who were there
- 22 said, you know, if we can right size this technology and
- 23 co-locate it at our MURFs, you know, some of the
- 24 expectations were that you'd needs a 4,000 ton a day or
- 25 5,000 ton a day MURF in order to make this thing, which

- 1 may not be feasible. We have some facilities that big.
- 2 However, right sizing the technology is going to be
- 3 something as we look forward to the evolving efforts.
- 4 With regard to props, for those of you who may
- 5 not know Mr. Paparian was able to do nonburn
- 6 transformation exercise there, which was very interesting,
- 7 illustrating that we're talking about nonburning
- 8 technologies here. I had my own short little prop which
- 9 involved the existing solid waste management
- 10 infrastructure over here, the new technologies that we're
- 11 going to overlay on top. And if we're not careful, we'll
- 12 end up doing CPR, which is what we don't want to do and
- 13 that's why the Board's efforts to go forward and flush out
- 14 a lot of these issues are fully supported.
- 15 We do support the inclusion of this effort in the
- 16 Board's strategic plan. The budget change proposals that
- 17 staff has outlined, I think, are very reasonable and
- 18 appropriate. And we see this as the next great frontier
- 19 to move solid waste management forward and understanding
- 20 that a lot of our private independent players have always
- 21 been the guys over the years that put their money where
- 22 their mouth is and they are very interested and I want to
- 23 be able to relay that to the Board today.
- 24 So thank you for your time.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.

- 1 Edgar.
- 2 Mr. Paparian.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes, Madam Chair. I'd
- 4 like to move Resolution 2001-134, Revised, with the
- 5 changes that I discussed a few minutes ago.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have a motion
- 8 by Mr. Paparian seconded by Mr. Medina.
- 9 Please call the roll.
- 10 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 11 BOARD MEMBER EATON: The motion as revised,
- 12 correct?
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: As revised.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 15 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 17 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 19 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 21 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 22 Moulton-Patterson?
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 24 Thank you very much.
- 25 Unless there's objection from my colleagues, I'd

- 1 like to finish these next two items before we break for
- 2 lunch or we leave for lunch.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Two more items.
- 4 Number 29 was on consent. Thirty, Ms. Packard.
- 5 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Good afternoon,
- 6 Madam Chair and Board Members. Rubia Packard with the
- 7 Policy office. I am here to present Agenda Item 30,
- 8 Consideration of Approval of Contractor for the Universal
- 9 Waste Management Options and Education Contract, Fiscal
- 10 Year 2000/2001 Contract Concept Number 8.
- 11 This agenda item requests the Board to consider
- 12 the approval to contract with approval of -- a contract
- 13 with MGT of America Incorporated for \$50,000 to perform
- 14 the tasks outlined in the scope of work that is attached
- 15 to the agenda item.
- This one-year contract will be used to evaluate
- 17 the existing household hazardous waste infrastructure that
- 18 currently exists in California to manage universal waste.
- 19 Under this contract we will be quantifying the
- 20 types and amounts of universal waste, generated by
- 21 households in California identifying current household
- 22 hazardous waste management option available and presenting
- 23 findings on the generation and collection infrastructure
- 24 and recommending possible improvements or enhancements or
- 25 just recommendations to effectively address the issues of

- 1 managing universal waste in California.
- Options for the Board to consider are: Awarding
- 3 the contract for \$50,000 for MGT to fulfill the Scope of
- 4 Work for the Universal Waste options and Education
- 5 Program; or not awarding the contract.
- 6 And staff is recommending Options 1, award the
- 7 contract for \$50,000 to MGT in adopting resolution
- 8 2001-131.
- 9 And I just wanted to mention one other thing.
- 10 One of the reasons that we chose this particular
- 11 contractor is because the Board had awarded a previous
- 12 contract to work on electronic waste to this contractor.
- 13 And we did have quite a few discussions with MGT about
- 14 being able to use, because the CRT portion of The Ewaste
- 15 waste stream is part -- or will soon be part of the
- 16 universal waste waste stream.
- 17 We felt that there were some opportunities there
- 18 to leverage the money and utilize some information from
- 19 that study in this study. So that was one of the
- 20 additional reasons that we selected this contractor.
- 21 And that's all I have, if you have any questions.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Ms.
- 23 Packard.
- 24 Question from the Board?
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair,

- 1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones?
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: On the scope, I had asked
- 3 Rubia -- they changed it, I think, and revised it.
- 4 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Yes. The scope of
- 5 work is revised to reflect some clarifications and some
- 6 questions. You do have the revised scope of work on both
- 7 items.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Right, absolutely. One of
- 9 the issues was they wanted to see how many household
- 10 hazardous waste facilities exist. The real question isn't
- 11 how many exist, but how many people in the community use
- 12 them.
- 13 I mean this Board cannot be -- they better have
- 14 their eyes open to idea that you build a household
- 15 hazardous waste facility, you may only see four percent to
- 16 seven percent of the whole population using it. That
- 17 means there are somewhere between 93 and 96 percent that
- 18 don't use it.
- 19 So if you're going to deal with an Ewaste or
- 20 you're going to deal with universal waste, you need to
- 21 understand that it may not be that infrastructure that is
- 22 going to really be where this stuff gets controlled. Most
- 23 of the stuff is going to get thrown in the middle of a
- 24 bin. So we have to be pretty aware of that. And I don't
- 25 know if -- I mean, I just want to make sure that the Board

- 1 members understand that.
- 2 I mean, if you look at household hazardous waste
- 3 venues, they are very, very expensive, but they're not
- 4 used by a huge part of the population, so if you want to
- 5 manage this waste stream, that has to be part of the
- 6 scope, which it's included. And I appreciate it, because
- 7 that's going to let you know how big the holes are and the
- 8 holes are going to be pretty big.
- 9 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: One of the
- 10 additional things that the study will address is
- 11 estimating once we have the information on what the waste
- 12 stream actually consists of and the amounts and what
- 13 household hazardous waste infrastructure we have right now
- 14 it's what would be required in terms of dollars. And
- 15 they're anticipated to be very fairly huge to bring the
- 16 household hazardous waste infrastructure up to a point
- 17 where it can handle the entire universal waste stream,
- 18 because that's kind of the expectation that the Department
- 19 of Toxic Substances Control had in promulgating their
- 20 regulations is household hazardous waste collection events
- 21 can take of it and we want to demonstration to them that
- 22 no they can't. They're not equipped now, so we need to
- 23 think about some other options, and this is what it would
- 24 cost to handle it solely in that manner.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.

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- 1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That's makes sense. Can I a
- 2 ask one other question, Madam Chair.
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   It's not so much on universal waste, but it's
- 4 something that I know Mr. Paparian is very involved with
- 5 in stuff. Department of Toxics has said that CRTs are
- 6 hazardous because there's lead in them, and I understand
- 7 that there's lead in them. But the way that they do their
- 8 T-clip test is they grind the material. You know, You
- 9 grind a piece of wood that's Got lead on it, because the
- 10 wood will break down in a landfill. So it's reasonable.
- 11 How are they coming up with the test on the CRTs?
- 12 Are they grinding it, because that's not -- I mean, we
- 13 need to, I think, have a discussion, at some point. CRTs
- 14 are going into lined landfills. They implode when they
- 15 break. They shatter. But I'd liked to know if DTSC, when
- 16 they did their testing ground those tubes?
- 17 Because if they ground them to make sure that the
- 18 lead was exposed, it's not really reflective of what that
- 19 looks like when it's disposed of. And I think we need to
- 20 know that because all of our landfills and all of our
- 21 transfer stations are going to be in violation of their
- 22 permits, because of that exclusion.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Can I answer that?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And, you know, and I think
- 25 we need to know that and I think we need to figure out how

- 1 we're going to manage that thing. But I think just, you
- 2 know, it just kind of interests me that, you know, how
- 3 they did that test.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I think we're planning
- 5 on, perhaps in June or July, having an information item
- 6 relating to some of these electronics waste issues and I
- 7 think that would be a good one to explore a little bit.
- 8 But let me tell you my understanding.
- 9 It's not DTSC's tests. It's US EPA's tests. And
- 10 they have, the US EPA determined that, monitors are a
- 11 hazardous waste based on their testing protocols. They
- 12 have a household exemption. In other words, if you're not
- 13 a household anywhere in the country, it's a hazardous
- 14 waste. If you're a household, your exempt.
- 15 California doesn't have that household exemption
- 16 that you US EPA allows. Therefore, the Department of
- 17 Toxics has determined that since we don't have that
- 18 household exemption, the household monitors, like the
- 19 nonhousehold monitors, are a hazardous waste.
- Now, the lead in the monitors is not just in the
- 21 monitor screen. There are several places in the monitor
- 22 where there is lead including essentially the seal between
- 23 the front of the monitor and the back of the monitor. And
- 24 it's the red in that seal that I understand to be of most
- 25 concern to the US EPA. But, again, if you want to get

- 1 into some of the more technical aspects, you know,
- 2 that's -- you're about to exhaust my knowledge.
- 3 We may want to include that in the information
- 4 item when it comes forward.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And all I'm trying to get at
- 6 is, you know, that if you know that there's lead in it,
- 7 that's fine. They do a test, and if that test can't be
- 8 replicated on its own, you know, by natural means and they
- 9 go to another standard that doesn't really happen in
- 10 landfill, what we've done -- and I don't have a problem
- 11 with that, but I want us to be able to connect the dots
- 12 here.
- 13 We've made every one of these things hazardous.
- 14 We have no infrastructure to collect it. We're going to
- 15 have every permitted facility in the state in violation.
- 16 So, at some point, we need to think that through to figure
- 17 out how we're going to put these pieces together, because
- 18 we don't have a pep policy that would allow an LEA to go
- 19 ahead and issue a mechanism that these people can do it
- 20 while they're going through the permit provision process.
- 21 So I just want us to be aware of that, you know,
- 22 because, I mean, we have an obligation to figure out how
- 23 we're going to deal with it, because once we start
- 24 stockpiling it, emergency rules or not emergency rules,
- 25 once we start stockpiling these at either landfills or

- 1 transfer stations, we're going to be in violation of
- 2 another law, which is the stockpiling of hazardous for
- 3 over 60 days or 90 days I think.
- 4 So we've got, you know, this is something that is
- 5 very important. And I think we've got to stay above
- 6 their -- or try to get up to the curve on this thing or
- 7 maybe get ahead of the curve to figure out how we're going
- 8 to deal with every facility in the State of California as
- 9 well as every hauler and recycler, because clearly they're
- 10 all going to be out of violation. They're all going to be
- 11 in violation.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 13 Jones.
- Mr. Paparian, any other comments?
- Okay we have a motion?
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Which one is this, 30?
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Resolution
- 20 2001-131.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'LL move adoption of
- 22 resolution 2001-131.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll second it.
- 24 We have a motion by Mr. Jones seconded By
- 25 Moulton-Patterson to Approve Resolution 2001-131.

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Please call the roll.
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            SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
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            BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
            SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
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           BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
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            SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
            BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
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            SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
            BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
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            SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
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            Moulton-Patterson?
            CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
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            Thank you. Thirty-one was continued to June.
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             And 32, discussion of pending legislation
15 potentially affecting the programs and policies.
           Mr. Miller.
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           What did I say?
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           BOARD MEMBER JONES: That will come later.
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            (Laughter.)
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           CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sorry, Mr.
21 Miiller.
            ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: Thank you, Madam
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23 Chair and members. My name is Michael Miiller, Assistant
24 Director of Legislative Affairs Office. Just monthly
25 items just to bring you up to date on what's happening In
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- 1 legislation and give an opportunity to talk about anything
- 2 you want to ask me or just basically what's going on in
- 3 the Legislature. We're currently tracking 154 bills that
- 4 may have an impact on the Board policies.
- 5 Forty-three of those bills are identified as
- 6 priority one. That information is available on the web
- 7 site. We have it for you. It's updated for you weekly.
- 8 A couple bills of interest. We're sponsoring AB
- 9 1187. That bill was heard today by Assembly
- 10 Appropriations Committee and I understand was approved on
- 11 consent.
- 12 Yesterday, you heard a discussion on the Mariposa
- 13 County composting facility project. AB 1400 Cogdil is a
- 14 bill that appropriates \$1.8 million to that project. And
- 15 that bill is currently in the Assembly Appropriations
- 16 Committee.
- 17 Last week, you asked us to take a look at HR 983
- 18 Bono, it's a bill going through Congress. That bill would
- 19 increase the tax credit from one half cent to one and a
- 20 half cent per kilowatt hour for landfill gas to energy.
- 21 As I understand it, that bill is currently in the
- 22 House Policy Committee. It will probably be combined with
- 23 an overall bigger picture energy proposal tax proposal.
- 24 We don't know what that's going to be, but we will be
- 25 getting information before you as we have that.

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1 Then SB 373 is a bill that many of you have
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- 2 expressed interest in. This is Senator Torlakson's bill
- 3 to increase diversion in schools and increase
- 4 environmental education. That bill is in the Senate
- 5 Appropriations Committee. Senator Torlakson has, I know,
- 6 spoke with the Secretary, attended a listening session and
- 7 is very interested in working with the Board to get that
- 8 bill moving.
- 9 I think that is the big Items that we have. Is
- 10 there any other questions.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: With regard to the Simitian
- 13 bill, did you testify in that bill?
- 14 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: No, we did not.
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Did we have anyone testify
- 16 on that bill?
- 17 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: No, Simitian
- 18 presented the bill and he had discussions in natural
- 19 resources with the minority consultant, and the bills
- 20 passed unanimously.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Because my understanding was
- 22 is that the minority party took out the important part of
- 23 that bill, which was the completeness in that's. It's my
- 24 understanding that Senator Roberti and Mr. Paparian on
- 25 occasion have spoken about completeness. This is a really

- 1 important issue with regard to the completeness.
- 2 This is what allows us to be table to determine
- 3 whether or not we can hear a permit, and the fact that we
- 4 get jammed on a permit. And I think something of that
- 5 nature, next time, ought to be brought to the attention of
- 6 the Board Members, so that we can go in and explain why,
- 7 when you get criticized for not being able to act on a
- 8 permit, because we're jammed. That's a very important
- 9 part.
- 10 And I'd like to see, if we can develop an
- 11 alternative bill just on the issue of completeness. And
- 12 the fact that the minority party in the assembly can
- 13 defeat a measure, when we get criticized in the audit
- 14 report for not being able to do that, is just beyond me.
- 15 So I think that that completeness, at least,
- 16 that's been an issue amongst all of us. Now, whether or
- 17 not you agree we should have additional time to be able to
- 18 determine whether or not. And the fact that none of us
- 19 had that there, at least, I think some of us would have
- 20 been in town or would been able to present that and help
- 21 the Assemblyman present that bill and explain why it was
- 22 important. And it shouldn't be left up to the
- 23 Assemblymember to do that, because he or she is doing us a
- 24 favor by carrying that measure.
- 25 So could we do that, see if we can't get another

- 1 bill to take that measure and move it forward, because if
- 2 you realize that's going to help us in the permit process
- 3 of which the Auditor criticized us for.
- 4 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MILLER: Right. The minority
- 5 consultant's concern was that he felt that the bill would
- 6 create a loophole that the Board would somehow used to
- 7 delay permits or deny permits. And Mr. Simitian did a
- 8 wonderful job in expressing that that wasn't our intent,
- 9 and that wasn't what the bill would do, and because of the
- 10 omnibus noncontroversial nature of the bill, he decided to
- 11 take that amendment out, but I really appreciate what
- 12 you're saying and we'll follow up on that.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank, you Mr.
- 14 Eaton.
- 15 Any other questions?
- Thank you Mr. Miiller.
- I see no final public comment slips.
- And before I adjourn the meeting, I would like to
- 19 publicly say thank you to Ms. Bruce for filling in for
- 20 five months as our Interim Executive Director. She's done
- 21 an outstanding job and under a lot of obstacles, physical
- 22 and others. And I just want to say thank you to you, Ms.
- 23 Bruce.
- 24 And as you all know, Mark Leary will be our
- 25 Interim Executive Director starting June 1st. So thank

1 you very, very much. 2 (Applause.) CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And with that, 3 4 the meeting is adjourned. CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR FISH: We also didn't 5 6 realize you were going to make an announcement. But from 7 executive staff, we also want to thank Ms. Bruce for the 8 time that she has spent with us. She has been invaluable 9 and we appreciate her immensely and we're going to miss 10 you. INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BRUCE: Thank you. 11 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. 13 (Applause.) CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. The 14 15 meeting is adjourned. Thank you all very much. 16 17 (Thereupon the California Integrated Waste 18 Management Board meeting was adjourned at 19 12:55 p.m.) 20 21 22 23 24 25

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